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MEMORANDUM TO: Chief, NISD

FROM:

Chief, Publication Services Branch

SUBJECT:

Status of NIS processing

The Publication Services Branch is at present processing all NIS General Survey material to PSD pretty much on schedule. The balance between NIS editors (presently on board) and graphics illustrators seems to be fairly even at the moment.

With regard to detail NIS Sections (i.e. Sections 56 and 23), Publication Services Branch work is progressing well and should continue unless several illustrators leave the Branch in the next few months.

MTST operations are going well in all phases and should continue until the December-January crunch when the two editions of the Factbook will have to be processed.

The cutback in new requests for charts and graphics has provided the Publication Services Branch with some extra manpower which has been applied to the processing of detail Sections.

Also the final correction stage of Summary Map production should improve because the Cartography Division will not be preparing new Summary Maps at the rate of 30 per year. Therefore, CD should be able to apply additional resources to the final corrections of these maps and thereby expedite the completion of the General Surveys.



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